104TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 683

To provide a minimum for payments with respect to counties in the State of Texas from receipts from national forests.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 25, 1995

Mr. Wilson introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Texas County Mini-
- 5 mum Payment Act of 1995".
- 6 SEC. 2. PAYMENT TO COUNTIES IN TEXAS FROM FOREST
- 7 **RECEIPTS.**
- 8 (a) IN GENERAL.—In any fiscal year, the monetary
- 9 amount of the distributive share to each county in the

- 1 State of Texas from the payment made to the State under
- 2 the Forest Receipts Act shall be the greater of—
- 3 (1) the amount provided under the Act for such
- 4 distributive share to such county for the fiscal year;
- 5 and
- 6 (2) 85 percent of the amount of such distribu-
- 7 tive share to such county in fiscal year 1993.
- 8 (b) Adjustment of Payment to Texas to En-
- 9 SURE PAYMENTS TO COUNTIES.—In any fiscal year, the
- 10 payment to the State of Texas, with respect to each county
- 11 in the State, under the Forest Receipts Act from receipts
- 12 from national forests shall be not less than 85 percent of
- 13 the amount of the distributive share to such county of
- 14 such payment in fiscal year 1993.
- 15 (c) Definition.—For purposes of this section, the
- 16 term "Forest Receipts Act" means the last undesignated
- 17 paragraph under the heading "GENERAL EXPENSES,
- 18 Forest Service" under the heading "FOREST SERV-
- 19 ICE" of the Act of May 23, 1908 (16 U.S.C. 500).
- 20 SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.
- This Act shall take effect on the first day of the first
- 22 fiscal year beginning after the date of the enactment of
- 23 this Act.